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SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY HOSTS *PHILOSOPHY TALK* ABOUT ISLAMIC SUFISM

Lectures and Discussions Connect Richness of Philosophical Thought to Everyday Life

San Diego, CA... The next installment of San Diego Public Library's PHILOSOPHY TALK will present an introduction to Islamic Sufism followed by a discussion with audience. Philosophy Talk is designed as a fun, safe opportunity to connect the richness of philosophical thought to everyday life. Join Dr. Farnaz Khoromi, of the Maktab Tarighat Oveyssi Shahmaghsoudi School of Islamic Sufism, for this free event at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 29, 2010 in the Wangenheim Room of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street.

Sufism is the inner, mystical dimension of Islam and an essential element of the faith. According to its adherents, it is an inner journey of self discovery, practiced by those who yearn to discover the hidden truth within themselves. Sufism is the way of the prophets of God such as Abraham, Moses, Jesus and Mohammad, peace be upon them. The message, be it expressed in the verses of the Quran, or in the beautiful poetry of eminent Sufi Masters, is one and the same: The way to knowledge and peace is through a path of self-realization. The message is one of inner growth, peace and living in harmony with Existence. The principles of Islam, though misinterpreted by some, are meant to lead each individual to knowledge, health and peace. The late Pakistani singer Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan and classical Persian poets Rumi and Hafez are Sufis.

Philosophy Talk focuses on issues of thought and their relevance to life in the 21st century and is part of the Library's 'Talk' series, which also includes surveys in the areas of literature and science, all of which help illuminate the what, why, and how of human culture. Neither Library sponsorship nor hosting constitutes an endorsement of the content or the views expressed by the participants.

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